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1. REFTEL A, PARA 1: PROFESSOR CASE STATES MONEY WAS CABLED ON 24 FEB. FROM CROCKER NATIONAL BANK, SANTA BARBARA TO CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, JAKARTA, WITH NOTE TO ADVISE WHISTLER AT EMBASSY.

2. REFTEL A, PARA 2: CASE ADVISED OF EXPEDITION MEMBERS NOW GRANTED VISA AUTHORIZATIONS.

3. REFTEL A, PARA 3: CASE STATES DOCUMENTATION ON CHILDRESS WAS SUPPLIED TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA AND INDONESIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WEEKS AGO. AS CHILDRESS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE 22 MARCH, CASE BELIEVES IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO DUPLICATE DOCUMENTATION IN TIME. CHILDRESS WAS AMONG GROUP OF PEOPLE
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THEREFORE INDONESIANS SHOULD HAVE DOCUMENTATION ON CHILDRESS. DOCUMENTATION ON ANDERSON, ELDER,

FERNANDEZ AND WEBER WAS ALSO SUPPLIED TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA AND INDONESIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, BUT AT LATER DATE THAN DOCUMENTATION ON CHILDRESS.

4. REFTEL B: ITINERARY R/V ALPHA HELIX AS FOLLOWS: 22 MARCH - ARRIVE AMBON; 22-28 MARCH - COLLECTING IN LOCAL WATERS 25 MILES TO THE WEST, 50 MILES TO THE SOUTH, AND EAST OF AMBON; 28 MARCH - 2 APRIL - COLLECTING IN BANDA SEA IN AREA BOUNDED BY FOLLOWING COORDINATES: 6 DEGREES 30 MINUTES S, 129 DEGREES E; 4 DEGREES 50 MINUTES S, 129 DEGREES E; 6 DEGREES 30 MINUTES S, 125 DEGREES 40 MINUTES E; AND 4 DEGREES 50 MINUTES S, 125 DEGREES 40 MINUTES E; 2 APRIL - RETURN TO AMBON; 5-11 APRIL - COLLECTING IN VICINITY OF CERAM ISLAND AND MISOOL ISLAND; 12-23 APRIL - AMBON AND LOCAL WATERS; 23-28 APRIL - ENROUTE SURABAJA, DIRECT; 28 APRIL-2 MAY - SURABAJA FOR FUEL, PROVISIONS, REST AND RECREATION; 2-8 MAY - ENROUTE AMBON, DIRECT; 8-23 MAY - AMBON AND LOCAL WATERS; 24 MAY - ENROUTE SANDAKAN, SABAH VIA OBI MAJOR, HALMAHERA ISLANDS, MOLUCCA PASSAGE AND CELEBES SEA, SAMPLING ENROUTE. DUE TO OPERATIONAL CONTINGENCIES (E.G., WEATHER), SCHEDULE MUST BE CONSIDERED TENTATIVE. SCRIPPS INSTITUTION SUGGESTS POSSIBILITY OF DAILY VESSEL REPORT BETWEEN R/V ALPHA HELIX AND INDONESIAN NAVAL AUTHORITIES. KISSINGER

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